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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: BENC, BO, BR, AR

SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: MUTUN IRON-STEEL

REF: LA PAZ 9848

1. HAVE DISCUSSED REFTTEL WITH ARTHUR MCKEE AND COMPANY,
PARTICULARLY EMBASSY RECOMMENDATION PARA 5 THAT COMMERCE
AND STATE STUDY POSSIBILITY FORMING A BUSINESS TEAM TO
VISIT LA PAZ.

2. MCKEE REPORTS THAT FIRM HAS WRITTEN AGREEMENT WITH
SIDERSA TO EFFECT THAT CONTRACT TO UNDERTAKE FEASIBILITY
STUDY DOES NOT PRECLUDE THEM FROM COMPETING FOR PROJECT
MANAGEMENT, ENGINEERING, AND OTHER LATER CONTRACTS.
CURRENT TIMETABLE IS FOR SIDERSA TO PRESENT PROJECT TO
CONEPLAN IN VERY NEAR FUTURE. CONEPLAN APPROVAL EXPECTED
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TO TAKE ABOUT TWO WEEKS AFTER WHICH IT WILL BE SUBMITTED
FOR PRESIDENTIAL APPROVAL. GO OR NO GO EXPECTED EARLY
NEXT YEAR. IN THE MEANTIME, MCKEE HAS BEEN ASKED BY
SIDERSA TO LOOK INTO FORMING A CONSORTIUM WITH FINANCING.
MCKEE IS COMPLYING. PENDING PRESIDENTIAL APPROVAL, MCKEE

HAS BEEN ASKED TO LAY LOW AND NOT DISSEMINATE ANY

DETAILS ON THE FEASIBILITY STUDY OR OTHER ASPECTS OF THE PROJECT. MCKEE-REPS EXPECT TO MEET WITH SIDERSA AND CONEPLAN IN THE NOT TOO DISTANT FUTURE AND WE HAVE SUGGESTED TO MCKEE'S DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS THAT HIS FIRM SHOULD BRIEF EMBASSY ON STATUS OF PROJECT AND THEIR DISCUSSIONS IN LA PAZ.

3. COMMEND EMBASSY REPORTING ON THIS PROJECT AND INITIATIVE IN SUGGESTION TEAM VISIT BUT BELIEVE WE SHOULD DEFER TO MCKEE AT THIS TIME. INTERESTED ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS YOUR END.
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